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22 FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

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24 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

25 No. CV 2:19-CV-00088-JLS(AFMx)

26 Plaintiff,

27 v.
28 **PLAINTIFF UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA'S REPORT REGARDING
STATUS OF RELATED CRIMINAL
INVESTIGATION**

29 \$599,600.00 IN U.S. CURRENCY,

30 Defendant.

31 NICHOLAS BEUGG,

32 Claimant.

33 Pursuant to the Court's Order filed May 21, 2019, based upon the
34 parties' stipulation therefor, the Court stayed this civil forfeiture
35 action pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 981(g) pending the conclusion of an
36 ongoing criminal investigation related to this civil forfeiture case.
37 The Court's Order instructed the government to file reports every
38 ninety (90) days, commencing August 20, 2019, regarding the status of

1 the related criminal investigation. Accordingly, the government is
2 hereby submitting this report regarding the status of the related
3 criminal investigation.

4 The criminal investigation by the Department of Homeland
5 Security is ongoing and has not yet been concluded. Accordingly, the
6 government believes that it is appropriate for the Court to maintain
7 the stay of this action at the present time.

8 Pursuant to the Court's Order filed May 21, 2019, the government
9 will submit its next status report within 90 days of the filing of
10 this status report (i.e., by May 14, 2020).

11 Dated: February 13, 2020 Respectfully Submitted

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